**Subject:** Chat with Dan COLLINS
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**me**: I'm sorry, but everyone has to see this
**me**: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dRd_vZT6zPY
**Dan**: Thanks, Barrett. The old man knows what he's talking about.
**Dan**: I have the Rough Guide. That's what they say, too.
**me**: Rough Guide?
**Dan**: Yeah. Have you never seen the Hipster Baedecker?
**me**: I really don't have my finger on the pulse of anything besides Roman history
**me**: and star wars re-edits
**Dan**: How's the pulse?
**me**: empire gradually collapsed in the west
**me**: transitioned to Christian/Greek speaking entity in the east
**me**: so, fine
**Dan**: Sounds like a stroke.
**me**: lol, very good
**me**: how's the conservative blogosphere?
**Dan**: Ruminating.
**Dan**: Attempting to digest.
**me**: right, health care thing
**Dan**: The run-up to November will be interesting.
**me**: sick of hearing about that crap
**me**: not my area
**Dan**: Oh, but the problem is that most people haven't heard enough about that crap.
**me**: I know, it's a matter of important, but so is geology
**me**: neither really sex me up
**Dan**: Now, it's on to . . . how will it really affect *one*?
**me**: I'm off the grid, you guys can deal with it
**Dan**: Well, enjoy.
**Dan**: And thanks for the laugh. Needed that.
**me**: anyway
**me**: I'm writing for the New York Observer now
**me**: as a hitman, of course
**me**: going after Michael Wolff
**Dan**: Yes, I saw that.
**me**: and Ross Douthat
**Dan**: Hmmm. Well, that latter puts you in the same camp as Stacy.
**Dan**: Oddly enough.
**me**: I'm in the same camp as him on more issues than he realizes

**Dan**: He'd be interested to learn that, if he'd put the keyboard down for a moment.
**me**: He's certainly prolific
**Dan**: Yes. And manic.
**me**: Speaking of which
**me**: http://www.theblogmocracy.com/2010/03/20/barrett-brown-another-progressive-bigot-and-racist/
**me**: last two paragraphs
**Dan**: Will check it out.
**me**: Okay, I'll keep you updated on novelty re-tracks of Star Wars scenes
**Dan**: Thanks.